



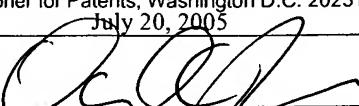
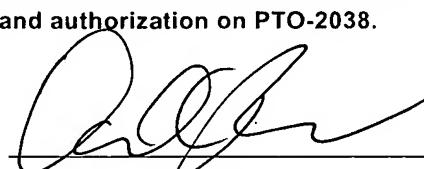
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Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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## Complete if Known

Application Number	10/614,755
Filing Date	07/07/2003
First Named Inventor	Kevin McQuistian
Examiner Name	Frantz F. Jules
Art Unit	3617
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Design	200	100	100	50	130	65	_____
Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80	_____
Reissue	300	150	500	250	600	300	_____
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Fee (\$)

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**Total Claims**      **Extra Claims**      **Fee (\$)**      **Fee Paid (\$)**

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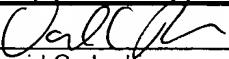
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